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EXCHANGING VIEWS—Libyan leader Moamer Qadhafi receiving Nguyen Thi Binh, of Provisional Revolutionary Government of South Vietnam, in Tripoli yesterday.

Delegation Sees Butz

U.S. Said to Assure Europeans Of Action on Grain Complaints

WASHINGTON, June 17 (AP)—Representatives of the European livestock feed industry said yesterday they have been assured of prompt action to clean up U.S. grain inspection procedures.

The six-man delegation, representing the Federation of European Feed Compounders, said that unless the quality of U.S. grain and soybean meal is improved, it could force European buyers to look elsewhere.

Kenneth Arnott, president of the federation, told newsmen after a meeting with Agriculture Secretary Earl Butz that he could understand the problems associated with harvesting and moving vast quantities of grain and meal into export channels.

"Nevertheless, we have to accept a United States certificate of quality, and the thing that comes out of the other end of the ship's voyage is something rather different," Mr. Arnott said.

The delegation stressed that it was not here specifically to engage in a current dispute over U.S. grain standards and export inspections. The trip, he said, had been planned since late last year to see U.S. farm production and to check with suppliers.

Mr. Arnott said Mr. Butz "left us in no doubt that he was going to probe this very thoroughly" but said the secretary did not spell out specific actions.

Mr. Arnott and his colleagues displayed plastic bags of soybeans and corn showing broken kernels, trash and other foreign particles. A sample of high-grade Brazilian soybeans was also shown as a comparison.

One European said, however, that the samples were "extreme cases."

"You do have the capacity to put this right," Mr. Arnott said. "It seems to me incredible that a country with the technical resources and the skill to put a man on the moon cannot move corn from the United States to Europe without grinding it into dust."

Mr. Arnott said that while the quality complaints are "not a problem to face every year" with U.S. commodities, they still are of such importance as to require corrective action.

U.S. Grain Checkers Failed in Obligations

By William Robbins

WASHINGTON, June 17 (UPI)—The Agriculture Department's internal investigative agency found two years ago that the Grain Division, which is responsible for assuring the safety and quality of U.S. grain shipments, was failing to meet some of its principal obligations. Some of those shortcomings have still not been corrected.

The problems found in the Grain Division ranged from withholding of information about dangerously contaminated grain to suggestions of cozy relations between federal officials and an organization of major exporters.

The findings were part of a 102-page report by the Office of the Inspector General, an agency that has since been divided into two units—the Office of Investigation and the Office of Audits.

Problems in the Grain Division cited in the report included the following:

• The division held up proposed instructions to inspectors because of objections by one asso-

ciation whose principal members are large grain-exporting corporations, although no contact had been made with the 40 or more other organizations in the grain trade who would be affected.

• Federal grain inspectors did not inform the Food and Drug Administration when they found grain contaminated with hazardous substances although this permitted such grain to go into mixtures destined for human use.

• The division did not produce a safety code to prevent the exposure of employees to health hazards in fumigated ship holds. The code is still pending two years after the report was issued and about a year after a worker died in a fumigated ship.

• An inspection regulation allows 10 per cent of a cargo to be off-grade grain although the practice often victimizes foreign buyers who get nothing but the off-grade portion while paying a premium price.

• Inspectors who are licensed by the Agriculture Department but employed by private agencies were using "unapproved shortcuts" and in some instances were giving higher grades to grain than were justified.

The grain inspection system is part of an investigation of alleged corruption under way in New Orleans and other ports. In addition, the handling and weighing of grain are being investigated in an inquiry that has turned up evidence of bribery and large-scale thefts.

Renew Talks, Sadat Urges

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the rightist Likud opposition and by two members of the Religious party, which belongs to the coalition.

Also disturbing to Mr. Rabin's government was the fact that members of the right wing of the governing Labor party failed to take part in the vote. Defense Minister Shimon Peres belongs to the rightist group.

Late tonight, Israel, suffering a worsening balance-of-trade deficit, announced the devaluation of its pound by 2 per cent and said it planned a further gradual devaluation of 3 per cent in monthly steps.

The devaluation, the first since November, when the pound was devalued 43 per cent, is the seventh such move in Israel's 71-year history. It will take effect tomorrow.

The move will decrease the value of the pound against all major currencies, making it worth 6.12 pounds to the U.S. dollar instead of 6.

Dangerous Gas Sweeps Over Munich Suburbs

MUNICH, June 17 (Reuters)—Most of the 91 victims of a potentially lethal cloud of gas that swept over the eastern outskirts of Munich last night were declared well enough to leave the hospital today.

Dangerous fumes seeped out of a chemical fertilizer warehouse last night, police said. They evacuated about 800 inhabitants of Heimerstetten and two other villages in the suburbs of Munich. The villagers have since been allowed to return home.

Egypt, Syria Concerned by Beirut Crisis

Little Progress Seen In Forming Cabinet

BEIRUT, June 17 (Reuters)—Egypt and Syria showed signs today of growing concern over the political crisis in Lebanon, where Premier-Designate Rashid Karami has been trying for three weeks to form a government.

Egyptian Ambassador Ahmed Lutfi Metwalli handed President Suleiman Frangieh a message from President Anwar Sadat, which authoritative sources said concerned efforts to restore normal life to the country.

Meanwhile, Syrian Foreign Minister Abdel Halim Khaddam conferred with President Frangieh and Mr. Karami.

Both Mr. Khaddam and Mr. Metwalli last month helped to mediate the conflict between the Phalangist party and Palestinian guerrillas.

Mr. Karami has made little progress in forming a government to replace the military cabinet led by retired Gen. Nureddin Rifal.

President Sadat's concern over the Lebanese situation was reflected in an interview published by the Beirut newspaper An Nahar.

He was quoted as saying that the situation "may be the loophole through which Israel could explode the Arab situation to gain time and disrupt all the international moves" for a Middle East settlement.

President Sadat charged that "foreign forces are behind what is taking place in Lebanon. They are trying from outside and inside the region to portray the matter as being one of confrontation between Lebanon and the Palestinian guerrillas."

Mr. Karami's efforts have floundered on the insistence of some parliamentary groups that he should form a government of national unity including the Phalangists.

But Socialist Progressive leader Kamal Jumblatt, supported by leftists, opposes the inclusion of Phalangists and advocates a government formed of persons not members of parliament.

UN Says 2,652 From Indochina Ask Repatriation

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., (AP)—UN refugee officials have found 2,652 Cambodians and Vietnamese abroad who want to go home, a spokesman said here today.

About 187,000 Cambodians and Vietnamese are estimated to be outside their homelands.

The spokesman told newsmen that the UN high commissioner for refugees in Geneva, Prince Sadruddin Aga Khan, said that 1,982 Vietnamese and 670 Cambodians had signed declarations that they were going back voluntarily.

Of these, 67 Vietnamese are paying their own way and the rest have requested repatriation from the high commissioner—1,200 from Guam, 466 from the United States and 260 from other countries, mainly Thailand.

Among the Cambodians, 247 are paying their own way and the remainder have asked for repatriation—30 from the United States and 463 from other countries.

PRG Accepts Repatriation
FORT CHAFFEE, Ark., June 17 (UPI)—The Provisional Revolutionary Government in Saigon has accepted the principle of repatriation and the return of some refugees to Vietnam may begin soon, a UN representative said today.

UN officials now are waiting for the PRG to turn over a list of the names of the Vietnamese they will allow to return.

Moscow, Bonn State 'Case' For One—or Two—Germans

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., June 17 (AP)—The Soviet Union and West Germany are quarreling here about how to say West Germany in the Russian language.

The dispute surfaced in a letter from Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Jacob Malik to Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim.

Mr. Malik, the permanent Soviet delegate, protested that UN Secretariat members and West German diplomats had collaborated in making "distorted translation into Russian of the name of the Federal Republic of Germany."

The UN, he said, had refused a document "for technical reasons" that altered the name. The original Russian document came out with the version "Föderativnyye Respubliki Germanii" but in the revised version it was "Föderativnyye Respubliki Germaniya."

The Russians say "Germanii" is correct, but the West Germans disagree.

A West German diplomat said that "Germania" is the Russian nominative case, the same case as used in the German name of the country "Bundesrepublik Deutschland." If "Germanii," the possessive, or genitive, case were correct, he said, the German name would be "Bundesrepublik Deutschlands" and it is not.

In reply, the Russians will likely cite the English version, where the possessive form is indeed used. In English, West Germany is the "Federal Republic of Germany" rather than "Federal Republic German."

Behind the linguistic argument is the dispute over one Germany vs. two Germanys. Diplomats said the nominative "Germania" more strongly implies one Germany, the West German position.

East Germany calls itself the "German Democratic Republic," so the language problem does not arise.



GISCARD IN POLAND—Polish Communist party leader Edward Giersek greeting French President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing as he left his airplane on arrival in Warsaw.

As U.S. Mission Dwindles

Moscow, Hanoi Presence Expands in Laos

VIENTIANE, June 17 (AP)—While the U.S. presence dwindles in Laos, that of the Soviet Union and North Vietnam is growing.

A Soviet diplomat has confirmed that Moscow is sending in more officials and technicians. The Soviet mission, now one of the largest, has about 100 staff members with more coming as the pro-Communist Pathet Lao extends its control of the country.

Crews and technicians of the Soviet airline, Aeroflot, take up the largest bloc of rooms in the Lan Xang Hotel.

A U.S. source said there are about 30,000 North Vietnamese soldiers now in Laos, scattered in remote areas. He added that about 14,000 Chinese road builders and military guards remain in Laos. They are constructing a road leading from southern China toward Thailand.

About 100 U.S. officials are still in Laos, down from 1,200 at the peak of the aid mission.

Foreign Minister Phomm Vongvichit, a member of the Pathet Lao, said in a recent broadcast that Laos still wants U.S. aid and experts, but on Laotian terms and with no strings attached.

Said to Seek Balance
Some observers here say the Laotians, technically under the leadership of a neutralist Premier,

6 Laos Ministers Installed in Jobs

VIENTIANE, Laos, June 17 (Reuters)—Four new ministers and two deputy ministers were sworn in here yesterday, consolidating the pro-Communist Pathet Lao position in the coalition administration.

The new men were appointed by King Sisavang Vatthana last week to replace rightists. They are considered to be more moderate than their predecessors and are acceptable to the Pathet Lao, whose armed forces have now entered most of the country's principal towns.

The ministers installed are: Leuan Rajasombath, finance minister; Pheng Vongvong, defense; Khoun Oun Voravong, interior; Prince Jaiyavong, Visounphong, health; Kibhong Vongsay, deputy foreign minister; and Souphavann Inthavong, deputy public works minister.

Prince Souvanna Phomma, want a U.S. presence to balance other foreign influences and help assure their independence.

Neutrality is the official policy of Souvanna's government, which, until the Pathet Lao expanded their power, was made up of leftists, rightists and neutralists under the terms of the 1973 cease-fire agreement.

The North Vietnamese, who fought with the Pathet Lao during the war here, are reported to be politically active in southern Laos near Paks and Champa-

passat and in the northwest near Xieng Lom. U.S. sources said their activities seem aimed toward neighboring Thailand, which is troubled by Communist-backed insurgents in border areas.

In the meantime, the Pathet Lao have a strong presence in Vientiane, the administrative capital. Police patrols still are mixed, with government and Pathet Lao men, but only the Pathet Lao have squads of infantrymen walking the streets.

Mr. Giersek said it clear t Poland still acted only "in ex-

ercise with its Socialist allies" particularly the Soviet Union. But that reference was not-

harm as that made by t Giersek in 1973, when he re-

buffed a suggestion by t visiting French President, G-

de Gaulle that Poland turn t toward the West by saying t Poland could never be wear-

away from the Soviet Union.

Both Mr. Giscard d'Estaing a Mr. Giersek stressed the im-

portance of the security confer-

ences, which are n drawing to a close in Gene-

va. Mr. Giersek, however, was sgh more optimistic, calling the t of the conference a "great ev-

ent in the history of Europe," w Mr. Giscard d'Estaing war-

rant that it would only have mean if its rather abstract provis-

ions are "put into action."

The French President said t negotiations had progressed e-

nough that a final 35-nati-

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News Analysis

Congress Bitterly Divided Over CIA

By George Lardner Jr.

WASHINGTON, June 17 (WP). The sharp rebuke administered yesterday by the House Armed Services Committee to Rep. Michael Harrington, D-Mass., and a rancorous argument preceding it exemplify the bitter feeling at the long-running debate over the CIA and secrecy in government.

"It appears that Congress does not control the CIA, but that the CIA controls Congress," Rep. Harrington declared in a statement. "It is easy to see how and rough whom."

At issue is not merely the question of whether Congress controls the CIA or vice versa, but the role of national security in the right of Congress and a people to know what the government is doing.

The pro-secrecy and anti-secrecy forces apparently are paralyzed by a deep philosophical divide, seemingly unbridgeable by compromise. The debate on the issue has had all the bitterness of a religious war with members casting each other as threats to the safety of the nation.

The Armed Services Committee, which denied Rep. Harrington access to its classified records by a 16 to 13 vote, pending formal ruling by the House Ethics Committee, merely reflects a mood of Congress at large.

House rules give all members a right to inspect any committee's files, but the Armed Services Committee majority maintained that some sanctions ought to be imposed against anyone who uses classified material publicly.

Rep. Richard Ichord, D-Mo., said that Rep. Harrington had "disparately violated" another rule forbidding the release of evidence received in executive session without the consent of the full committee.

Rep. Harrington's defenders intimated that the rule which p. Ichord cited has always been "wholesome" and carries enforcement provisions. Rep. Delums, D-Calif., called it "petty . . . judicious and wise" and said that it was a warranted example of "prior restraint."

At one point while Rep. Delums was speaking, Rep. Robin Ford, R-Tenn., exclaimed in a voice that could clearly be heard the press table that Rep. Delums's remarks were "a bunch of . . ."

Rep. Beard said that he is considering introducing a resolution to censure Rep. Harrington on the floor.

Rep. Delums later suggested that he and Rep. Beard might settle their differences outside the hearing room, but nothing came of the offer. Acting committee chairman



Rep. Michael Harrington

Edward Hebert, D-La., said that the meeting was called to erase "any question" over a similar decision reached last week at a secret session which only 13 members—less than a quorum of the 40-member committee—attended.

Rep. Harrington told reporters later that he considered it a moral victory to get so close a vote out of "this crowd."

He maintained that blind insistence on government secrecy was what enabled the CIA to interfere in Chile's internal affairs and help bring down the government of the late Salvador Allende.

According to heretofore secret transcripts released at yesterday's meeting, Rep. Harrington inspected secret CIA testimony on Chilean operations in June, 1974, and followed up with letters to the chairmen of the House and Senate Foreign Affairs Committees in hopes of securing public hearings.

Testifying before the Armed Services Subcommittee on Intelligence headed by Rep. Lucian Nedzi, D-Mich., last Sept. 25, Rep. Harrington acknowledged briefing several members of his own staff, an aide to Sen. Frank Church, D-Idaho, and Washington Post newsman Lawrence Stern over the summer. When The New York Times published a story based on the CIA's Chilean operations from some source other than himself, Rep. Harrington said that he told Mr. Stern not to feel bound by any confidences.

Rep. Harrington said that he had also asked Rep. Nedzi at that same secret hearing what a congressional overseer's duty was, "when you know that Congress and the public are being lied to."

Rep. Harrington said that he has since made repeated requests to Rep. Nedzi's subcommittee for information regarding other CIA operations, but all have been ignored.

The acrimonious atmosphere at yesterday's hearing was marked by talk of "treason" on the one hand and futile efforts on the other to hear Rep. Harrington out before a vote was taken.

Rep. Hebert said that Rep. Harrington had already had his chance last September and would get another before the Ethics Committee on which Rep. Hebert and four other members of the Armed Services Committee also sit. Rep. Melvin Price, D-Ill., is chairman of both committees.

Rep. Charles Wilson, D-Calif., protested that the Ethics Committee's handling of the dispute promised to be "a cut and dried operation" in view of the fact that three of its members had already voted against Rep. Harrington.

Rep. Hebert demanded to know whether Rep. Wilson was casting aspersions on the integrity of the members of the Ethics Committee.

"Absolutely not," Rep. Wilson responded in a half-innocent, half-injured tone.

Rep. Harrington's supporters, including several Southern Democrats such as Rep. G.V. Montgomery of Mississippi and Mendel Davis of South Carolina, questioned the legality of penalizing Rep. Harrington in the 94th Congress for something he did in the 93d Congress.

The committee majority met that issue by inviting the Ethics Committee to settle it.

Previous Refusal

Meanwhile, the committee decided, Rep. Harrington will be "denied access to any committee files or classified information maintained therein because of his previous refusal to honor House and committee rules regarding material received by the committee in executive session."

"If we can't maintain secrets in government, we are not going to be able to survive," declared Rep. Samuel Stratton, D-N.Y. "Unless you're prepared to destroy the intelligence system in this country, you've got to have some rules."

Rep. Delums protested at one point that every congressman had an obligation to follow the dictates of his conscience rather than top-secret labels imposed by the executive branch. He said that he found it strange that the effort to penalize Rep. Harrington was being made now amid a parallel House dispute over the future of the select CIA committee on which Rep. Nedzi and Rep. Harrington also serve.

Rep. Dan Daniel, D-Va., warned that the result of every congressman following his own conscience would be "nothing but anarchy." Rep. Patricia Schroeder, D-Colo., replied that she was just as concerned about the other extreme—"dictatorship."



CIA CONTROVERSY—Rep. Lucian Nedzi, D-Mich., whose resignation as chairman of House Select Intelligence Committee probing Central Intelligence Agency was rejected by the House, is in the center of storm over what to do with the committee.

House Votes Against Resignation of Nedzi

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he was going to vote for Rep. Nedzi to retain the chairmanship, but he said he was worried that the House debate would make it seem as though the membership wanted "to give a whitewash to the CIA."

Rep. Young said he hoped the House would insist at the same time that there be "a thorough investigation of the intelligence community."

"That question has yet to be determined by the House," Rep. James O'Hara, D-Mich., who led the fight for Rep. Nedzi, replied pointedly.

Rep. Slak said that he meant his proposal to abolish the select committee primarily as a vehicle to determine what the Rules Committee wants to do.

As alternatives, he suggested that the House might wind up endorsing a new committee to investigate only the CIA rather than the government's entire intelligence community or directing the present committee to conduct itself under certain restrictions, presumably with Rep. Nedzi as chairman.

Rep. Nedzi, however, voiced doubts that the House investigation was needed at all and pointed to the CIA inquiry under way by the Senate select committee headed by Sen. Frank Church, D-Idaho, and the one completed by the Rockefeller commission.

"To send investigators out to plow the same ground that's already been plowed is question-

able wisdom," he declared after the vote.

Rep. Nedzi said he had tried to act "responsibly" since the House created the committee in February, but protested that hopes of "successful achievement through mutual trust and respect" had been nonexistent from the outset. Then, on June 2, his five Democratic critics on the committee—Rep. Robert Gistino of Connecticut, Rep. Don Edwards of California, Rep. James Stanton of Ohio, Rep. Harrington and Rep. Delums—demanded that he resign on the grounds that he was "not impartial" as far as the CIA was concerned.

The five Democrats, reportedly joined at times by Rep. Morgan Murphy of Illinois, made the move in the light of disclosures that Rep. Nedzi, as chairman of the regular House subcommittee in charge of CIA oversight since 1971, had been briefed two years ago about the agency's misdeeds and had done nothing about them.

Rep. Nedzi said he finally agreed on a compromise plan last week to name a special CIA investigation subcommittee with Rep. Stanton as chairman, but the restive Democrats were dissatisfied with his appointments and insisted that every member of the full committee double as a member of the Stanton subcommittee. After that, Rep. Nedzi announced his resignation.

Rep. Delums said that moments after yesterday's vote, he asked Rep. Nedzi on the House floor when the select committee would meet, only to be told that it would have to wait until "the Rules Committee works its will."

"It's just the next phase of the cover-up," Rep. Delums charged. Gratified by the support from his colleagues, Rep. Nedzi said he would rather not serve as chairman of even a new select committee although he said he might be persuaded. "I know it sounds corny," he said, "but I'm a public servant."

Asked if he considered the House vote a personal victory, he grinned broadly and said: "I hate to admit it, but I think it is."

At midnight June 30, the temporary \$531-billion ceiling will expire, unless it is renewed or raised, and the government will run out of borrowing authority to pay its bills because the ceiling would fall to the permanent \$400-billion level.

Sen. Church Sees No Evidence Of CIA Plot to Kill De Gaulle

WASHINGTON, June 17 (AP).

—The chairman of the Senate Special Committee on Intelligence said yesterday that there is no evidence to support new reports of CIA involvement in a plot to kill the late French President de Gaulle.

"According to the best information available to the select committee, I can report that no such plot was ever contemplated by the CIA or any other agency of the United States government," Sen. Frank Church, D-Idaho, said.

Sen. Church's statement was an apparent response to a report by the Chicago Tribune that a CIA official had told congressional leaders of the agency's involvement in a disident group's plot to assassinate Gen. de Gaulle.

A source familiar with the documentary evidence concerning the controversial subject of assassination confirmed that a record does exist of a 1964 contact between the CIA and a group plotting Gen. de Gaulle's death but insisted that the record shows "the would-be assassins were rebuffed immediately."

"In that thing, the CIA could not have acted more responsibly," the source said.

"Third parties come and make all sorts of outlandish suggestions," the source continued. "This was a case in which some person totally outside the CIA was instantly rejected as being irresponsible."

Eaton Accuses

CLEVELAND, June 17 (AP).—Millionaire industrialist Cyrus Eaton, who visited the Soviet Union several times in efforts to normalize relations, said yesterday he was asked by the CIA to spy on the Russians.

"They said I had extraordinary contacts in Communist countries and that I was in a position to get all kinds of information," Mr. Eaton said. "I told them that under no circumstances would I be part of a spying organization. I said I would talk about my ob-

servations with serious and responsible agencies of the government but under no circumstances would I be a party to spying."

Mr. Eaton, 81, refused to name the persons who approached him or to say when the contacts took place.

Kennedy Assails Rockefeller

BOSTON, June 17 (AP).—Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., has criticized Vice-President Rockefeller for implications that John and Robert Kennedy could have been involved in CIA assassination conspiracies.

Sen. Kennedy said yesterday that for Mr. Rockefeller to indulge in such "innuendoes is utterly irresponsible."

"Given his own failure to fulfill his duty on the issue, I hope he'll have the decency to maintain his silence now while the Senate investigating committee and others do the job he should have done," Sen. Kennedy said.

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Latin Reds Assail China At Cuba Talk

'Yankee Imperialism' Linked to Peking

MEXICO CITY, June 17 (AP).—Communist parties from 23 countries accused China yesterday of treason, flouting with "Yankee imperialism" and secretly supporting the rightist military junta in Chile.

A document issued at the end of a four-day conference in Cuba by party leaders from Latin America and the Caribbean "strongly condemned the foreign policy formulated by the Communist party leadership in China."

The names of the participants were not listed in a Cuban news agency dispatch from Havana, but sources in Mexico said they were "top level." The meeting was to map strategy over the next few years.

The dispatch received here quoted the statement as saying Peking "defends the presence of Yankee imperialism in Asia and Europe, justifies the existence of NATO," and encourages West Germany's "vengeful and imperialistic foreign policy."

China's foreign policy "has its nastiest expression in Latin America, where it combats with the military junta in Chile," the Prensa Latina report said, and urged Latin American Communist parties to maintain unity in their ideology "to combat China's policy of treason."

China is the only Communist country that did not break diplomatic relations with Chile after a military coup overthrew the late Marxist President Salvador Allende's regime in September, 1973. But it withdrew most of its diplomats and left the embassy in the hands of a few junior officials.

The party leaders concluded that Mr. Allende was too lax in dealing with opposition parties and that his Marxist coalition government failed because it lacked a "firm, single and homogeneous leadership."

The document said the leaders at the conference agreed that the experience in Chile must be a lesson to leftists seeking power, and that they "must be fully prepared and ready to defend democratic conquest with the use of arms."

Chile Confirms Operations of Guerrilla Band

SANTIAGO, June 17 (Reuters).—The government said last night that leftist guerrillas were operating in the province of Talca, near the border with Argentina, but denied Argentine reports that there had been armed clashes and five executions.

According to Argentine police sources, two groups of Chilean leftists recently crossed the Andes after training in Argentina to wage a guerrilla campaign.

Presidential press secretary Federico Wulff said last night that extremist activity had been detected in Talca, 100 miles south of here, but said security forces had the situation under control and there had been no clashes or executions.

Chile Quits ILO Meeting
SANTIAGO, June 17 (UPI).—The government has ordered its representatives to the 60th International Labor Organization Conference in Geneva to withdraw from the meeting.

The order was made yesterday by Labor Minister Gen. Nicanor Diaz to protest what he termed "violation of the rules of the ILO and political pressure" in Chile. He said that during an ILO commission discussion of human and union rights in Chile, Chilean delegate Luis Ribalta was denied the right to speak.



KID SITTER—A Bremerton, Wash., woman caring for her goat's five kids. The mother was not yet up to the task; goats usually have only two or three kids.

Single Form Predominates

Cancer Link to Environment Is Reported in Chinese Study

By Walter Sullivan

NEW YORK, June 17 (NYT).—A medical survey in China has disclosed a region where a single form of cancer—cancer of the esophagus—is so prevalent that it is the chief cause of death.

In the same region it has also been found that chickens show unusually high incidence of cancer of the gullet. Hence, according to a report on the study recently received from Peking, there must be a close relationship between the disease and geographical environment.

The report tells of efforts to identify local factors that might be responsible, including a possible relationship to a regional love for pickled vegetables. So far, however, the findings have been inconclusive.

Throughout the world regional occurrences of cancer of the esophagus—a muscular tube that leads from the pharynx to the stomach—have emerged as one of the most tantalizing features of the war against that disease. The incidence rates in some population groups are 200 times greater than in other groups, if it is widely thought that, if this can be explained, it would be an important step toward control of the disease as a whole.

It has recently been found that in the Esomopolei region of Kenya, cancer of the rumen, or forestomach, in cattle is remarkably common. Its occurrence rate is 2,500 per 100,000, whereas in the rest of the country it is only 6 per 100,000.

In the United States, health officials are perplexed by a rapid rise in esophageal cancer in black males. According to Dr. Sydney Cutler of the biometry branch of the National Cancer Institute, the incidence in 1969 was 19.5 per 100,000, whereas in 1971 it was only 6 per 100,000.

For several years the International Agency for Research on Cancer, operated by the World Health Organization in Lyons, France, has been studying the problem, particularly with respect to the southeastern shore of the Caspian Sea and Brittany, where this form of cancer is strikingly common.

In the Iranian district of northern Gombad, on the Caspian, the incidence among women has been recorded at 174 new cases per year for every 100,000, whereas in some other districts no cases could be found. It has long been known that occurrence is unusually high in a belt extending from Iran to China.

Because of reports that

esophageal cancer was unusually prevalent in the region southwest of Peking and north of the Yellow River, a population survey of the area, which has a population of 50 million, was undertaken.

The area includes those parts of Honan, Hopei and Shansi provinces bordering on the Taihang Mountains as well as the Peking municipality.

Mass meetings were organized to persuade the inhabitants to fill out questionnaires and to submit to medical examinations. These typically included the swallowing of an inflatable, thin-tubed balloon covered with fine thread-netting to collect cell samples.

Death certificates were tabulated to map mortality from esophageal cancer in the 181 counties and cities of the survey. The counties with the highest incidence were Yangcheng and Hemph, with rates, respectively, of 135 and 140 per 100,000. By contrast, in Yunyuan County the rate was less than 2 per 100,000.

In Linhsien County for those over 30 years old the rates were even higher. In one group of 7,212 it was 379 per 100,000. It was in this county that a study of domestic fowl showed levels of cancer at a rate of 176 per 100,000, which was nine times higher than the rate in a county whose human population was relatively free of the disease.

For several years nitrosamines have been under suspicion as a cause of such cancers. It is known that they produce a very high incidence of esophageal cancer in animals. It has been proposed that nitrites, used in the curing of meats, could be transformed into nitrosamines within the body.

The Chinese analyzed 123 food samples from Linhsien County and found evidence for nitrosamines or their chemical precursors in 23 per cent of the samples. The rate was slightly more than 1 per cent for food samples from a low-incidence area.

It was noted that the people of Linhsien eat pickled vegetables that are preserved in large earthen jars and are often contaminated by fungi. One of these fungi, when given to animals in combination with nitrosamines, provokes cancer of the forestomach, the report said.

Because of the striking geographical nature of the incidence, it was concluded that the cancer-causing factors must originate "either in the soil or in the water."

Senate Panel Backs Base at Diego Garcia

WASHINGTON, June 17 (UPI).—The Senate Armed Services Committee voted today to proceed with a Navy base on the tiny island of Diego Garcia in the Indian Ocean.

At the end of a closed session, the committee voted 10-6 to authorize \$13.8 million to expand the base, lengthen the runway and build fuel storage tanks.

The opponents plan to file dissenting views and the Senate must vote by July 31.

Defense Secretary James Schlesinger said last week the presence of Soviet anti-air missiles at Berbera, Somalia, on the Gulf of Aden, made it more necessary to have a base that could supply a carrier task force for 30 days. Somalia has denied the Soviet presence at Berbera.

Col. Frank Mott, An Oil Executive, Is Dead at 85

NEW YORK, June 17 (NYT).—Col. Frank E. Mott, 85, president of the Teagle Foundation and a retired executive of the Standard Oil Co. (New Jersey), died Saturday at New Rochelle Hospital in N.Y.

Col. Mott studied civil engineering at the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn and began his career in the oil business as an office boy with Jersey Standard in 1903. In World War I he supervised the installations of oil facilities in France.

From 1921 to 1942 he was assistant to Walter Teagle, chairman of Jersey Standard. When Mr. Teagle retired in 1942 he established the Teagle Foundation to provide scholarships and aid to educational institutions.

Col. Mott returned to military service in World War II, supervising the delivery of gasoline and oil in Europe.

Clint Courtney
NEW YORK, June 17 (NYT).—Clint Courtney, 48, a major league catcher whose pugnacity and timely base hits made headlines in the 1950s, died yesterday in Rochester, N.Y., apparently of a heart attack. He was manager of the Richmond Braves of the International League, a farm team of the Atlanta Braves.

During 11 years, from 1951 through 1962, Mr. Courtney played his position with 2 handicaps—he was left-handed and he wore glasses, the first big-league catcher to do so. He was in 948 games with a batting average of .368.

Robert Downing
DENVER, June 17 (AP).—Robert Downing, 61, Denver Post drama critic and former Broadway actor and director, died Saturday.

Malta Cattle Disease

VALLETTA, June 17 (Reuters).—An outbreak of foot and mouth disease on several farms in Malta has forced authorities to suspend the daily slaughter of cattle and ban the sale of animals.

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Scheel Says Unity Is Still Bonn's Goal

In Speech to Joint Session of Congress

WASHINGTON, June 17 (AP).—President Walter Scheel of West Germany reaffirmed today that Bonn will not renounce the idea of reunification of divided Germany.

"A nation can never forgo its unity as a political goal," Mr. Scheel said addressing a joint session of Congress.

But the West German leader ruled out force as a means of uniting the country. "We have not succeeded in overcoming the artificial, unnatural division of Germany by peaceful means. Other than peaceful means have never been thought of, nor will they be," he said.

"If a rational and sincere policy of détente is to have any meaning for us," Mr. Scheel continued, "it must surely be to make it easier for the people in divided Germany to live together."

Dangerous Problem

Recalling that 22 years ago, on June 17, 1953, East Berlin workers violently protested against Communist rule, Mr. Scheel said that his country's alliance with the United States "has enabled us to defuse a complex and dangerous Berlin problem."

But in Berlin, Mr. Scheel warned, "the strength of any policy of détente and our alliance are put to the test day by day. Totalitarianism may use arbitrary means, yet in the end, freedom will triumph."

Before traveling to Capitol Hill on the second day of his state visit, Mr. Scheel laid a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington National Cemetery.

To Relax Tensions

BONN, June 17 (UPI).—West Germany today renewed its offer of cooperation to East Germany to help relax tensions in Europe. Addressing a plenary session of the Bundestag on the 23d anniversary of the abortive East German workers' revolt, parliament President Annemarie Renger said that "in Europe, we are today faced with the task of lessening tensions. The existing tensions must not be only eased temporarily, but must be overcome by finding ways toward general security and cooperation."

Mrs. Renger said that "the consequences which we are drawing from the present political situation should be the repeatedly made offer of cooperation and the appeal to act in the spirit and to the letters of the concluded agreements. We have stretched out our hands—we are waiting for an echo."

East and West Germany in 1972 signed an agreement on "alleviating hardship" and exchanged special envoys in 1974. In recent months, East and West German negotiators have been exploring possibilities of improving transit routes to West Berlin.

2 Plotters Deny CIA Had Role in Trujillo Slaying

SANTO DOMINGO, Dominican Republic, June 17 (UPI).—The two survivors of the group that assassinated Gen. Rafael Trujillo denied today that the Central Intelligence Agency or any other foreign organization was involved.

Gen. Antonio Imbert Barrera and Gen. Luis Amiana Tio, who are regarded as national heroes for their role in the elimination of the dictator, said the plot and its implementation were entirely Dominican.

U.S. government sources have reported that the CIA contributed "material support" to the group of Dominicans that assassinated Gen. Trujillo. The details have been supplied to the House and Senate Select Committees on Intelligence, the sources said.

Gen. Trujillo, who ruled this Caribbean republic for 31 years, was shot more than 30 times from ambush May 30, 1961.

The two survivors said 26 other Dominicans involved in the plot were executed in 1961 by Trujillo supporters.

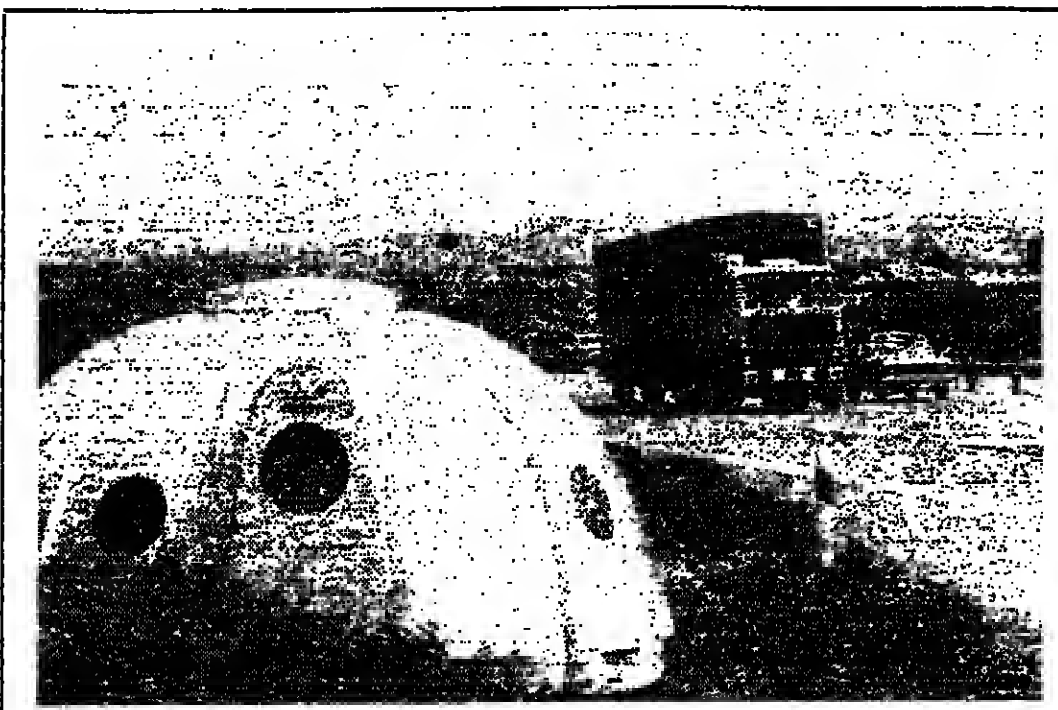
Malagasy Junta Takes Over Firms

TANANARIVE, Madagascar, June 17 (Reuters).—The Malagasy government yesterday nationalized all banks, insurance companies and the movie industry.

The nationalization was announced by Lt. Comdr. Didier Ratsiraka, chairman of the Supreme Revolutionary Council, who was installed yesterday as head of state and government.

The Malagasy leader also introduced the nine members of the council and the 14 members of the new government, most of whom are nonpolitical technicians.

Talks on Spain Bases
WASHINGTON, June 17 (AP).—The United States and Spain yesterday began a new round of negotiations, the sixth in a series, aimed at an extension of a 1971 agreement on military bases in Spain. The agreement expires next September. Talks on a new pact began last fall.



A NEW KIND OF ROAD HOUSE—White plastic igloos now line length of Bavarian autobahn lanes. They house Red Cross patrols during time of increased holiday traffic, thus enabling specialists to render faster first aid in case of accidents.

For Some, Insurance Firms Pay

Germans 'Taking Waters' at Spas as in Past

By Craig R. Whitney

BAD NEUENAUER, West Germany, June 17 (NYT).—If you are a German and you feel vaguely ill, but not enough to go to a hospital, you "take the waters"—a leisurely, hypochondriacal custom that is as popular now as it was in the 19th century.

The idea of a "cure" is old-fashioned and here in the vineyards of the Ahr Valley south of Bonn it is an exercise in nostalgia, recalling less hurried times. Bad Neuenauer is not a gathering place for the wealthy or for the jet set. There are no elegant boutiques, no famous restaurants. Prominent people are rarely seen.

A Saudi prince came last year and raised eyebrows by consuming a bottle of whisky a day. Former Chancellor Ludwig Erhard, who is 78, was here this spring, but he did not stay for the full treatment.

Ordinary People
Bad Neuenauer is better known and more stylish. Like that resort, Bad Neuenauer has a gambling casino, but its clientele boasts more small businessmen from the Ruhr than survivors from the aristocracy. This is a place for ordinary Germans, who come because they still believe in the tonic effect of the mineral waters and the restorative power of fresh air and rest.

"I am here to recover from a

stomach operation," said Kurt Lucke, a 36-year-old nurse, as he sipped warm mineral water from a small mug. Rich in calcium and magnesium and fizzy, it tastes like soda water that has stood too long in a cup. "I must admit it's boring on weekends," he added. "There's absolutely nothing to do."

When Germans do not feel well, they are fond of saying that something must be wrong with their circulation or with "the air."

On this spring day it was hilling fresh through the valley, ruffling the vines that surround Bad Neuenauer and plucking up red and white chestnut blossoms. In a park outside the water room, elderly women were soaking up the sun. Adu Kohl-rusch and his orchestra played Bellini's "Overture to Norma" from an indoor bandstand as the audience sipped appreciatively. It seemed to be out of another age.

There is strength in rest, in water and in the atmosphere," says a line from Goethe on the wall above the bubbling glass tubes that bring the water from nearly a thousand feet below ground at 95 degrees Fahrenheit.

The high temperature of the springs and the occasional conical hills of the region are legacies of volcanoes that erupted here long before man appeared. This may have led to the belief that the waters have a healing effect.

A doctor can prescribe a "cure," which normally lasts four weeks. If the patient's health insurance company goes along, it pays for the treatment, which does not count as vacation time. Those not covered by insurance pay the fees of up to \$1,500 for a full course.

Free Fresh Air
Anni Hardt, an 82-year-old widow, said she came from Hamburg mainly to meet people and to enjoy the fresh air. "My doctor wouldn't send me on a cure," she said, "besides, without the treatments it doesn't cost a much, and the air is the same whatever your stay costs."

The rest requires a leap of faith. Franz Bitzen, who has been "bademester" here for 2 years, mixes up five tons of medicinal mud a day and cures patients in it. "It stimulates the circulation," he said.

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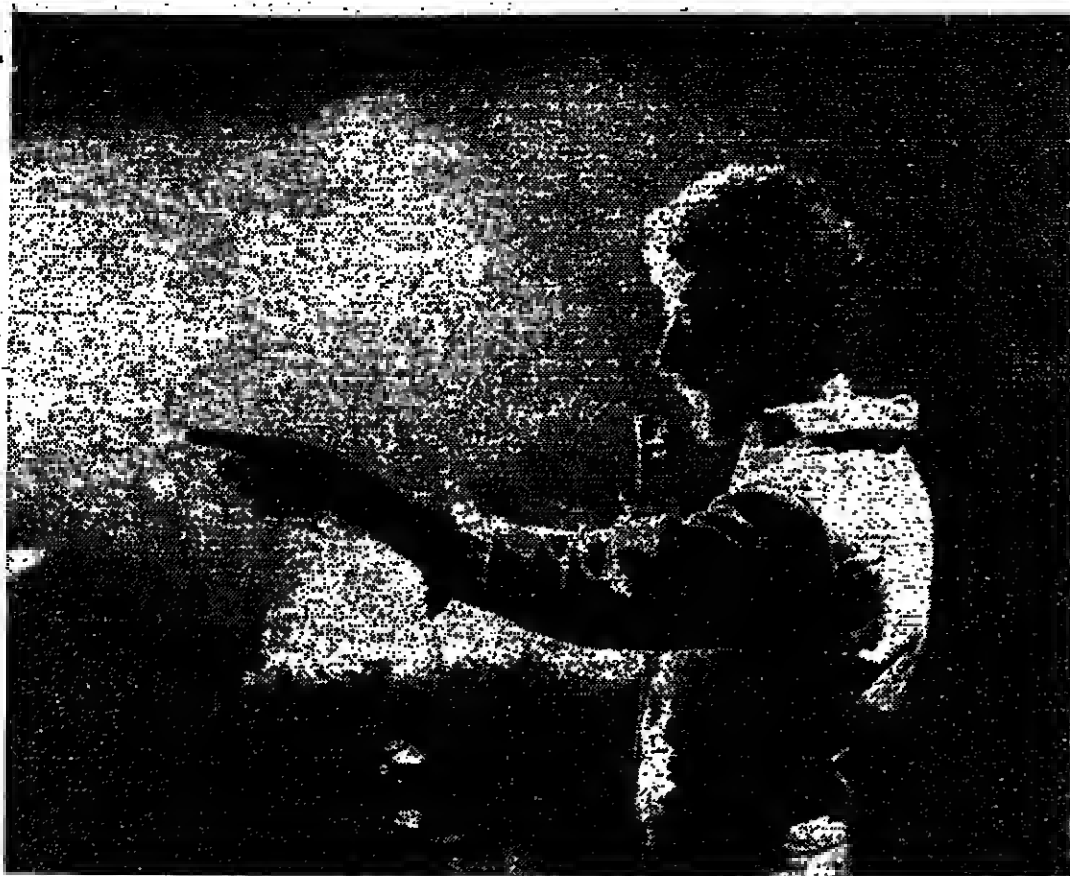
Claudine—
A Winning
Comic Drama

By Thomas Quinn Curtiss

PARIS, June 17 (UPI).—"Claudine," directed by John Berry (at the Ellysées-Lincoln and the Cinéma de l'Europe), is a winning comedy-drama of Henriette today. It tells of the young mother of six children who, after the departure of various husbands, is living on welfare, and is harassed by the visits of the local relief inspector, a sinister, inquisitive white.

The situation grows more strained when a bustling garage man starts courting the tired mother. He, too, has been married several times, though he is brushed away family obligations. The film is in the comic in with a few outbursts of indignation, but Berry has wisely put the tone in good temper. The conclusion, however, is tragic. The eldest son, who has joined a band of black revolutionaries, is pursued by the lice, and interrupts the marriage ceremony of his mother. In the end, this is a hilarious sequence, it ends on a sadder note than the wedding guests being void into patrol wagons. Didiot Carroll and James Earl Ray—remembered for his sterling performance as Jack Johnson in "The Great White Hope"—act the troubled couple delightfully and there is an enchanting scene playing by the children.

In Steve Passer's powerful scene, "L'acheteuse," a woman



"LENNY"—Dustin Hoffman plays the late Lenny Bruce in Bob Fosse's new film biography of the nightclub comedian. The film, an entry in the 1975 Cannes Film Festival (UPI, May 21), is now being shown in several movie houses in the Paris area.

whose fortune has purchased her a husband makes her mate a prisoner on her country estate. In "La Cage" (at the Odéon, the Normandie and the Caméo), another woman takes similar action. After a long break, her husband is lured to her isolated home. She springs a trapdoor on him and he finds himself in a barred cell in a basement.

There he stays, and there we stay—for an endless spell. Pierre

Gronier-Deferre, the director, has not the firm and fascinating dramatic sense of Passer and one wearies of his lunatic heroine and her captive's attempts to escape. Lino Ventura is the victim and Ingrid Thulin is his tormentress in what appears to be an elongated and lifeless Grand Guignol sketch.

Gordon Heath's production of "The Glass Menagerie" will be

given three additional performances at the Théâtre d'Edgar (56 Boulevard Edgar-Quinot) on June 19, 20 and 21 at 8:30 p.m.

OPERA IN PARIS

Gounod's 'Faust': Rereading an Old Favorite

By David Stevens

PARIS, June 17 (UPI).—The day is long gone when any opera house could be nicknamed, as the Met once was, the "Faustspielhaus," but Gounod's "Faust" is far from fading out of the repertoire. Despite a strike that has prevented the sets from being used since the premiere of its new production, the opera is playing to sold-out houses at the Paris Opéra.

The Opéra has not relied just on the enduring popularity of the hit-filled score, but has outfitted the production with a first-string cast and choreography by George Balanchine, and entrusted to Jorge Lavelli and Max Eyzens, who have brought the story out of the Middle Ages to take a look at it from a closer point in time.

For Lavelli, Faust and Mephistopheles are two faces of the same coin; the one is an extension of the other. They are dressed like Edwardian dandies, elegant in pearl gray and top hats, and with their swords discreetly disguised as canes.

The different social classes represented in the baroque scene are clearly delineated in Eyzens's colorful 19th-century costumes and in the sharp deployment of the various choral groups. The soldiers have a decidedly

Prussian air about them, in their field green uniforms, and when they return from war looking like the tattered relics of a catastrophe, it gives a new twist to the perhaps over-familiar soldiers' chorus.

Victorian morality seems to suit "Faust" very well, too. Valerio becomes decidedly unpleasant in his rejection of his sister, and when Mephistopheles reproaches Marguerite in the church, the other occupants of the church are dressed like him and seem just as hypocritically disapproving.

The Ballet

The orgy of Walpurgisnacht is a grotesque bourgeois banquet whose seated participants watch the ballet from their seats on the floor, while the ballet itself is one of Balanchine's delightful abstractions, willfully having nothing to do with the rest of the opera.

All of this came out as a coherent and intelligent rereading of the old favorite, despite the absence of the principal scenic element—which apparently is a massive iron-and-glass palace with a dome weighing two-and-a-half tons. On Saturday the 2,888th performance of the work by the Paris Opéra, a few rudimentary props sufficed.

Mirilla Freni, pathetic in her isolation and straitjacketed mad-

ness, was a Marguerite radiantly possessed by her own demons—and radiantly sung, too. Nicolai Gedda has managed the high C in "Salut! demeure" with greater ease on other occasions, but he was still an elegant and eloquent Faust, while Roger Soyer, as his diabolical alter ego, sang smoothly and acted with ironic intelligence—giving all of his repeated lines a sarcastic twist the second time. Robert Massard's solid bari-

tone and exemplary diction made Valerio a pillar of military virtue, and Renee Auphan was a fragile and timorous Siebel.

Michel Plasson, the young director of the opera company in Toulouse, gave an impassioned and spirited account of the score, handsomely supported by the Opéra's orchestra and chorus.

Soviet Union.
Raymond Loewy
Sign a Contract

MOSCOW, June 17 (UPI).—Raymond Loewy International Inc., the firm headed by the designer of the Studebaker car, announced today that it has signed a far-reaching cooperation agreement with the Soviet Union.

A spokesman for the firm said that the agreement would serve as a framework for new contracts for design of Soviet packaging and of industrial interiors, such as shopping centers and hotels.

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I.Y. Entertainment: Star-Studded 'Destructors'

NEW YORK, June 17 (UPI).—This is how New York Times film critic Pauline Kael rates new movies:

"The Destructors" features Anthony Quinn as a "harried American narcotics chief in Paris" who is trying to eliminate James Mason, the "Israeli kingpin of the international dope trade." A.H. Weller writes: "Speeded by the essence of director Robert Altman's approach," Weller says, "the script by Judd Bernard relies on the depth of character. Michael Caine appears as a professional hit man, organizer and old friend." Weller concluded: "Mason is

more casual than sinister. And Quinn is simply as muscular and disheveled as the film's complicated plot."

"North," directed by George Ovadia, is an "incredible Israeli movie," Lawrence Van Gelder says. The most modern and pleasant thing about it is "its driving, booming pop music." However, if one judges Israeli technology on the basis of this film, one would assume that the Israeli Army is armed with flintlocks. The story concerns two "attractive" lovers whose parents are against their marriage. Each thinks the other is dead—the

woman has a baby, her lover goes on to become a pop star. In short, an Israeli soap opera.

"Murph the Surf," directed by Marvin Chomsky, tells the tale of the exploits of Jack Murphy (played by Don Stroud) and Alan Kuhn (played by Robert Conrad), the Miami beach boys known for their ill-fated bid to the Star of India sapphire and other gems from the American Museum of Natural History in New York in 1964. Murph the Surf is "flamboyantly" played by Stroud, says A.H. Weller, but the action is more interesting than the "largely surface psychology."

When Being Older Helps Get a Job

By Frank J. Prial

SOUTH NORWALK, Conn. (UPI).—You don't have to be old to work at Fertil Inc., a small company in South Norwalk that produces starter material for arden plants.

At least you don't have to be as old as the company president, Jot Catlin, who is 85, or Emma Wilken who is 91, or even Dorothy Welsch who is 81.

Caroline Iannaccone, for instance, is only 68; Arthur Robidas just 71, and Lillian d'Amato practically the baby of the group at 61.

At a time when early retirement is becoming an economic act of life and when few workers can hope to stay on the job past the age of 65, the average age of the people at Fertil Inc. is 68.

Founded in 1956

The little company was founded by Mr. Catlin in 1956, when he was 65. "I didn't start out with the idea of hiring older folks," he said the other day, "but I'm not sorry it worked out that way."

Mr. Catlin, who looks and acts 10 years younger than he is, said work force has less absenteeism and employee turnover than any firm of its size that he knows of.

"This is a fine group of people," he said. "They've helped make this company a success."

Fertil's only product is a packet of small cubes made from potting soil, moisture retainers and nutrients, each of which contains several vegetable or flower seeds. Gardeners start their plants on the cubes in early spring, transplanting them outdoors after the last frosts.

Ingredients

Fertil buys peat moss, vermiculite and perlite and plant nutrients. They are combined with water in small cement mixers, packed in flat plastic boxes resembling tiny ice cube trays, then dried and shipped.

"Back in 1954," Mr. Catlin said, "I had a business installing sound systems in schools. My life wanted me to find something I could do close to home. Then, when we were on a trip to England, I noticed these little cubes in a hardware store. As soon as we got home, I made plans to import the cubes here."

"In 1954, I sold 100,000, all through newspaper ads. In 1955, I sold another 100,000. Then the English firm stopped making the cubes and I decided to do it myself. That was in 1956. At first I did everything myself. Now I have 16 people working here, all in their 60s, 70s, 80s and 90s."

Originally, Fertil-Cubes, as they are called, were sold directly to gardeners. Then large plant nurseries and mail-order seed and plant companies began to order them.

Today Fertil's business is entirely wholesale. Three years ago, the W. Adlee Burpee Co. bought the company and hired Mr. Catlin to run it.

An Acquirer

About the same time, Burpee itself was being acquired by the huge General Foods Corp. "General Foods sent some accountants around here," Mr. Catlin said, "and went over us with a fine-tooth comb. Then they told Burpee to go ahead with the acquisition."

Because of his corporate affiliation, Mr. Catlin is chary about divulging figures. He did say that his first year of retail sales grossed \$12,000 and that he estimates the retail value of the Fertil-Cubes sold this year to be in the neighborhood of \$6 million.

Most of Fertil's employees were recommended by friends who already worked there. But some came through the Senior Personnel Placement Bureau, a non-profit organization in Norwalk, which helps older people find jobs.

Hugh Marron, who has worked for Fertil for four years, is 76. A powerful, robust man, he spent most of his life in construction work.

"Being outside all those years put me in good shape," he said,

"but I couldn't find any other job until Catlin took me on."

Because of their age, some Fertil employees work shorter schedules than others. Some work longer days than people half their age. Mr. Catlin admits that he spends less and less time at the plant. He leaves most of the day-to-day operations to his superintendent, Ralph Halbach, 72.

"I come in once in a while, mostly just to tick the tires and leaves," Mr. Catlin said, "except on Monday. Then I have to be here at five in the morning." He explained that one of his hardest workers, Juan Alcalde, 70, comes in at 5 a.m. every Monday to open up. "The boss can't come later than this help," he said.

"One thing I won't do," he went on, "is hire a married couple. It's bad business. If one works, the other doesn't. If one gets along with people, the other doesn't. I've tried it and regretted it."

Mr. Catlin, who spent many years in the paper and wood pulp industry, has another business, Forest Research Laboratories, which has one product, a card impregnated with chemicals that he says will keep Christmas trees green and fresh when the card and the tree are placed in the same pot of water.

Does he think of retiring? "I was at retirement age when I started this business 20 years ago," he said. "We've gone from four hours a day, five months a year, to all day, 12 months a year. How could I retire?"

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Despite U.S. Forecasts of Upturn

Europeans Fear Slump Will Last

BERDAM, June 17 (AP).—Contrast to the Ford administration's forecast of a half economic upturn, European officials, bankers and economists fear that the world generally will be in recession for many more

one is more likely than the others since World says Conrad Court, treasurer of the Netherlands, any other Europeans, Mr. serves that businessmen, s and consumers all seem sitting for someone else to a in recovery forecasts stepping up their own S. United States is the most "someone else" of because of the huge U.S. in world business. But widespread doubt among

White House and the Federal Reserve Board are doing enough of the right things to get a meaningful upturn going. The concern is shared in board rooms of some of the biggest European companies. "The real question is, can you have another boom, no matter how moderate, without another inflation?" says Gerit Wagner, senior managing director of the Hague-based Royal Dutch/Shell group.

That sort of pattern, other observers say, has prevailed in Britain for many years, chronically discouraging capital investment and spurring workers to demand inflation-perpetuating "catch-up" pay boosts even during downturns. No one appears to expect his own country to turn the tide first. The Japanese economy "has cooled down so much that it won't recover fast," says Yuzuki Kashiwagi, deputy president of the

Bank of Tokyo. "The United States will take the lead in coming out of the recession, because they are doing the most to stimulate their economy. Japan will follow," he says hopefully. Many others abroad are not all that optimistic. "I see no sign of the famous recovery," scoffs Edward Lynch, Brussels-based vice-president of International Telephone & Telegraph Corp. Foreign officials who do accept U.S. forecasts of a second-half upturn are sometimes dubious about whether this benefits will spill across to Europe very soon. "All signs are that the United States will recover soon, but Europe will be more slow," says Guido Carli, Italy's central bank governor. "We have to look at the German situation, where the recovery will come less soon than expected," he explains.

Polish to Others West Germany's giant role as a market for its neighbors means that it must recover first, other central banks say. But for the German economy to revive, "it is very important that there be an upturn in other countries," particularly the European ones to which half of Germany's exports go, says Peter Reimpel, a management board member of Munich's Bayerische Vereinsbank.

A key factor causing some foreign insiders to scale down their recovery forecasts is the prospect that Third World countries will not continue much longer to be thriving markets for Western products. "Exports to developing countries have helped mightily to sustain output in the industrial countries, these analysts say.

"The poor have been supporting the rich, but the crunch is coming," a British analyst predicts. With raw materials prices having plummeted from the peaks that inspired enthusiastic spending sprees, paying the bills threatens to run down the reserves and strain the borrowing power of many poor countries, he says.

Strong States Turn Down Appeals for Economic Boost

ARIE, June 17 (AP-DJ).—Countries in strong surplus since the United States, declined to accept demands for new refinancing measures at the day meeting here of the Economic Policy Committee of the International for Economic Cooperation and Development. Committee chairman Sir Douglas Allen said the strongest came from the smaller countries whose trading and use of payments positions continue to deteriorate. Their conference sources said that some of the smaller nations went so far as to hint that if nothing was done to them correct the situation, they may be forced to take active measures. Any restrictions, whether internal or external, would be a blow to the OECD trade pledge signed only two to ago by all 24 members except Portugal. In Douglas said that delegations from the United States, many and Japan took the line that, given fears of rekindling inflation, their governments preferred to adopt a wait-and-see attitude. All three countries, however, declared their intent to take new measures if warranted, he said. Other conference sources said that the three countries were defensive during most of the meeting. Mr. Douglas said that the strong countries expressed concern that the recession had bottomed out and said they acted actively to pick up during the second half of this year. They conceded, however, that the recovery will be made by past standards, Sir Douglas said.

Mr. Ford Says Slump Ending, Recovery on Way

LINGTON, June 17 (AP).—President Ford said today that the U.S. recession since the coming to an end and intends to help the economy by freeing businesses from excessive federal regulation. "The time has come to cut the red tape that blinds us of small businesses," he said. "I am confident we are at the bottom of the economic slide and we will soon be on our way up."

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Oil Expert Disputes View at OPEC Wealth Declining

By William D. Smith
YORK, June 17 (NYT).—Mr. Levy, the oil economist, disagreed sharply with reports by major banks and accumulation of wealth exporting nations is a thing problem and one will probably fade away by a major study, Mr. Levy is that the problem "is o be more serious and of duration than suggested" dings of First National Bank, Irving Trust Co. and Guaranty Trust Co. oil week, a Citicorp report at the surplus of the nation of Petroleum Ex-

could not be held in the face of price reductions unless there were, in turn, an inordinate increase in oil exports. The Levy study predicts a surplus of OPEC income over expenditures in the year 1980 of \$47 billion, while the banks all see a deficit. Mr. Levy's end-of-the-decade cumulative surplus is \$44 billion, compared with a forecast of \$179 billion by Morgan. Fully two-thirds of the difference in surplus accumulation is the result of the respective assumptions as to the rate of growth in volume of OPEC imports.

The business conference reserved its biggest applause for Mr. Ford's pledge to fight for reduction of federal regulation of business. "We must free the business community from regulatory bondage so it can produce," the President said. "Your efforts are stifled by unnecessary, unfair and unclear rules and regulations."

Ford-France Prices Up

PARIS, June 17 (AP-DJ).—Ford-France SA announced today it is increasing prices of all its models sold in France by an average of 4.5 per cent.

Swiss Study Bank Secrecy Curb

GENEVA, June 17 (AP).—Curbs on Swiss bank secrecy are under official study to further discourage the inflow of currency that have been forcing up the value of the franc and the price of Swiss exports. An initial target is the "numbered accounts," which are as much part of the Swiss cliché as watches and chocolate but have been criticized for attracting "hot money" from abroad and tax evaders.

A National Bank source said today that abolition of the numbered accounts, introduced in the 1930s to protect Jewish and other anti-Nazi bank-account holders against informers from the neighboring Reich, was "informally discussed" at a recent meeting with representatives of the big commercial banks. "Their first reaction was expectedly negative," the source said, emphasizing that no concrete plans have yet emerged.

Pressure for action is mounting, however, both inside and outside the government. The strength of the Swiss franc, the world's hardest currency, is squeezing exporters out of international markets. During the past two years, the de facto devaluation of key currencies against the Swiss franc ranges between 50 per cent for the dollar and pound and 10 to 15 per cent for the West German mark.

Prices of Swiss exports have soared correspondingly while sales have plunged. Watch exports during the first quarter of 1975 were a dramatic 36.1 per cent below the year-ago level, and more than half of all people employed in the watchmaking industry are on short-time work. Textile manufacturers report business abroad is down between 18.7 and 37.8 per cent, idling about one-third of capacity. The exporters were recently told by National Bank president Fritz Leutwiler that they will have to "live with unfavorable exchange rates for some time to come." But Mr. Leutwiler also said that in "certain fields, the interna-

tional activity of our banks has reached dimensions which are no longer in reasonable proportion to the size of our country."

The Swiss have already taken measures to check the inflow of foreign capital, including a "negative interest" charge of 40 per cent annually on Swiss franc deposits opened by non-resident foreigners—whether they have "numbered accounts" or not. But there are obvious loopholes, as the prohibitive charge has failed to stop the inflow of currency.

Foreign governments have reportedly urged Swiss leaders to tighten control of capital movements from abroad and combat tax evasion—which is not a criminal offense in Switzerland. Draft legislation threatening jail in serious cases of tax evasion has been prepared, but so far has stirred little enthusiasm. Some feel it lacks punch, while the Swiss Bankers' Association commented it was "not a priority matter" because Swiss tax honesty was better than in most other countries.

Abolition of the bank secrecy laws to fight tax evasion is also on the platform of the strongest party in the Swiss coalition government, the Social Democrats, for the national election this fall. A prime pusher is the new party president, Helmut Hubacher, who calls for a "radical change" of the Swiss system.

However, the commercial banks can point out that their activities—which critics want reduced—more than offset the country's chronic trade deficit. Bank secrecy furnished the "last touch" in this development, president Alfred Schaefer of Union Bank of Switzerland—one of the country's big three commercial banks—told the annual meeting this spring.

"Relinquishing this instrument of goodwill would be equal to self-mutilation and would by no means prevent international tax evasion," he warned.

Aim Is to Stabilize, Not Spur, Economy

Japan's Economic Easing Is Criticized

By Sam Jameson

TOKYO, June 17.—For the third time this year the Japanese government has loosened the screws on its anti-inflation, tight money, policy—but only slightly.

An eight-point program, adopted by the Cabinet yesterday, reiterated a commitment by Japan's economic czar, Deputy Premier Takeo Fukuda, to stabilize rather than spur economic growth and put the government rather than business in the lead.

Left untouched was the central bank's discount rate, which was lowered by half a point nine days ago to a still high level of 8 per cent—too high, most economists said, to induce renewed business investment in production facilities.

Emphasis was placed instead on bolstering government financing for private homes, stepped up public works and Japan Development Bank loans for investment in anti-pollution equipment.

Mr. Fukuda said the Economic Planning Agency, which he heads, estimated that the new measures would create an immediate demand for goods and services worth more than \$3 billion, while by next March, when the fiscal year ends, cumulative demand of more than \$6 billion was expected to be created, he added.

The increment amounted to the equivalent of roughly 1 per cent of Japan's gross national product in fiscal 1974. Earlier screw-loosening measures failed to lift the economy out of the recession. The real gross national product fell by 0.7 per cent in the January-March quarter.

Mr. Fukuda offered no estimate of what effect the plan might have on Japan's trade, which in recent months has been piling up heavy surpluses. Two weeks ago, he warned in a speech that a \$13-billion deficit in trade with oil-producing nations that Japan covered last year with an equivalent surplus in trade with non-oil producers could create imbalances in the international monetary system and lead to political frictions with trading partners, particularly Asian nations.

Japan has been under pressure from some members of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, and from its own businessmen, whose factories are operating at average ratios of only 76 per cent of capacity, to prod the economy into faster economic growth.

Yesterday's measures, however, clearly fell far short of such requests. Toshio Komoto, minister of international trade and industry, said openly that the measures were not sufficient to lift the economy off the ground. He said the government should begin deficit financing of public works and predicted that another round of policy changes would become necessary within two or three months.

Pound Drops To New Low

LONDON, June 17 (AP).—The British pound, battered by rampant inflation, declining industrial production and labor unrest, fell to an all-time low today but recovered slightly late in the day. The dollar also weakened.

The devaluation rate of the British money in relation to 10 major currencies as fixed in Washington in December 1971 slumped to 26.7 per cent in early trading from yesterday's 26.3 per cent. But by the close of business the pound had climbed back to 26.5-per-cent devaluation, still a record low.

The dollar closed down half a centime down at 2.98125 francs in Paris, unchanged in Amsterdam at 2.9775 guilders, 3 1/4 Belgian centimes down at 34.755 francs, and less than half a Swiss centime lower at 2.48 francs. The West German exchange in Frankfurt was closed for a holiday.

In London the pound lost one U.S. cent to close at \$2.2680. Dealers in most financial centers said selling volume was not high but "nobody wants sterling," one said.

Industrial Output Declines in U.K.

LONDON, June 17 (AP-DJ).—British industrial production declined further in April, the Central Statistical Office (CSO) reported today.

It said the seasonally adjusted index of industrial production, which covers all industries, was 102.5 in April, down from 103.4 in March and down from 107.5 in April 1974. The index has a base of 100 for 1970.

The index for manufacturing industries alone was 102.3 for April, down from 103.3 in March and from 109.3 in April 1974. This index also has a base of 100 for 1970.

Slow Economic Recovery Seen

Profit Outlook Fears Hit New York Prices

NEW YORK, June 17 (IHT).—Prices fell sharply on the New York Stock Exchange today with some analysts attributing the decline to growing concern that second-quarter earnings reports will be disappointing.

The Dow Jones industrial average fell 5.95 points to 828.61, giving up an early gain of about 3 points. Declining issues outnumbered gainers by about 875 to 550.

Volume totaled 19.44 million shares compared with 16.86 million shares yesterday. In its decline, the market ignored the Commerce Department report that housing starts rose in May.

Some analysts said that traders were discouraged by Du Pont's statement that its second-quarter net will be sharply lower, confirming earlier analysts' estimates and Hercules Inc.'s projection of "nominal earnings" in the second quarter.

Brokers said the forecasts raised concern that the economy will be slow to recover. Du Pont closed at 116 3/4, down 4, and Hercules was down 2 1/4 at 28 1/4.

Coal mining issues were lower following the Dow Jones news service and Wall Street Journal report that "analysts who have become fundamentally skeptical of the investment rationale behind coal stocks concede earnings will be up sharply this year and aren't likely to decline next year. But they also believe the growth phase is over."

Pittston fell 2 1/2 to 66 3/4, North American Coal was 29 5/8, off 2 7/8, Eastern Gas & Fuel Associates 41, down 1 3/4, and Union Pacific 74 1/4, off 2 1/2.

Interstate Brands jumped 2 1/2 to 13 7/8. A spokesman said the company was taken by surprise yesterday by a DEF tender offer for 1 million Interstate shares at \$14.50 each.

Prices on the American Stock Exchange declined in moderate trading. The Amex index fell 0.46 to 89.10.

Syntax, a volume trader, slid 1 3/4 to 38 1/8. Houston Oil & Minerals dropped 1 3/8 to 25 1/2.

In Chicago strong demand coupled with short covering lifted wheat and oats futures to daily allowable limits on the Board of Trade.

The moves in wheat strongly influenced higher prices in most other commodities on the exchange.

On the over the counter market the NASDAQ industrial average fell 0.89 to 86.40.

new arrangements within OPEC that would permit other member nations to reduce or drop quality differentials.

Abu Dhabi earlier was permitted to make such changes with OPEC's endorsement, and Nigeria and Indonesia as well as Algeria are having problems like those in Libya because of their premium-priced crudes.

The Libyan government has not announced any pricing changes, but all industry sources confirmed that the changes are being made, effective June 1, as an incentive to companies operating there to increase production of their "equity" oil as well as purchases of petroleum, so-called "buyback" oil, from the Libyan government's share of output.

Because of the premium pricing and generally soft petroleum markets, production of oil in Libya in recent months has slumped to the lowest level in 10 years. Current output is only about 1 million barrels a day, and Libya once produced as much as 3.7 million barrels daily.

Although the government holds a major stake in all the oil operations within its borders, U.S. companies producing oil in Libya include Occidental Petroleum Corp., Mobil, Exxon, Amerasia Hess, Marathon, and Continental Oil Co. The former Libyan interests of the Royal Dutch/Shell group, British Petroleum Co. and Texaco Inc. have been nationalized.

There isn't much demand any more for low-sulfur oil, and the soft tanker markets and low freight rates have eliminated Libya's transportation advantage," one buyer of Libyan oil said.

The Libyan move is not expected to have much impact on the oil cartel's promised plan to boost OPEC-wide prices again next fall. But it is likely to spur

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BANQUE NATIONALE DE PARIS

RESULTS OF THE 1974 FISCAL YEAR

In its session of May 28, 1975, the College representing the shareholders of the BANQUE NATIONALE DE PARIS and exercising powers of the General Meeting approved the balance sheet and accounts closed as of December 31, 1974, as well as the proposals of the Board of Directors regarding the following allocation of the Financial Year's profit: Fr. 135,363,531.11

—Appropriation to the legal reserve	Fr. 6,746,608
—Allotment of beneficiary shares of the BANQUE NATIONALE POUR LE COMMERCE ET L'INDUSTRIE and of the COMPTOIR NATIONAL D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS	Fr. 834,706.18
—This sum, added to the minimum interest, (433,950.06) comes to	Fr. 1,268,066.23
—which allows for the distribution of a gross Fr. 1.125 per B.N.C.I. share and a gross Fr. 3 per C.N.E.P. share.	
—Appropriation to the Reserves (bringing the overall reserves to Fr. 715,000,000.)	Fr. 56,253,292
—Allocation to amount carried forward	Fr. 427,464.88
—Distribution of dividends to the B.N.P. shareholders	Fr. 70,650,000
—which corresponds to a payment of Fr. 14.13 per share plus a tax already paid to the Treasury (fiscal credit) of Fr. 7.07, thereby bringing the global revenue per share to Fr. 21.20.	

It is to be noted that a global dividend representing Fr. 21,250,000 for the 1971 fiscal year and Fr. 42,000,000 for the 1972 fiscal year was paid to the French Government, the sole shareholder. For the 1973 fiscal year, the sum of Fr. 14.13 per share was distributed among shareholders in order to ensure a global revenue of Fr. 21.20, including the fiscal credit of Fr. 7.07.

The distribution to bearers of B.N.C.I. and C.N.E.P. beneficiary shares and the payment of the dividend to B.N.P. shareholders will be carried out as of July 1, 1975

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May	57.25	57.75	57.75	53.75	53.75	53.75
Jun	57.25	57.75	57.75	53.75	53.75	53.75
Jul	61.25	61.25	61.40	56.40	56.40	56.40
Aug	61.40	62.65	62.35	62.65	62.65	62.65
Sales:	323					

COTTON No. 2 (50,000 lbs)						
Jul	45.30	45.30	45.30	45.75	44.90	
Aug	46.65	47.25	46.50	47.20	46.40	
Sep	47.20	47.50	47.25	47.80	47.05	
Oct	47.25	47.50	47.25	47.80	47.05	
Nov	49.00	49.25	49.00	49.25	48.45	
Dec	49.00	49.25	49.00	49.25	48.45	
Jan	50.25	50.50	50.25	50.50	49.75	
Feb	50.25	50.50	50.25	50.50	49.75	
Mar	50.25	50.50	50.25	50.50	49.75	
Sales:	2,700					

GOLD (100 Troy oz)						
Jun	164.10	164.10	164.10	164.005	162.70	
Jul	164.90	164.90	164.90	164.905	164.40	
Aug	164.90	164.90	164.90	164.905	164.40	
Sep	164.90	164.90	164.90	164.905	164.40	
Oct	164.90	164.90	164.90	164.905	164.40	
Nov	164.90	164.90	164.90	164.905	164.40	
Dec	164.90	164.90	164.90	164.905	164.40	
Jan	164.90	164.90	164.90	164.905	164.40	
Feb	164.90	164.90	164.90	164.905	164.40	
Mar	164.90	164.90	164.90	164.905	164.40	
Apr	164.90	164.90	164.90	164.905	164.40	
May	164.90	164.90	164.90	164.905	164.40	
Jun	164.90	164.90	164.90	164.905	164.40	
Jul	164.90	164.90	164.90	164.905	164.40	
Aug	164.90	164.90	164.90	164.905	164.40	
Sales:	917					

Market Summary						
Most Active - July 1975						
Most Active - New York						
	Sales	Close	N.C.		Sales	Close
Bangsat A	274,000	274.00	—	Jul	52.45	53.45
Gold Oil	100,000	102.00	—	Aug	54.40	55.10
Pelarra	254,000	329.00	—	Jul	52.45	53.45
Sherrill	773,000	140.00	—	Aug	54.40	55.10
Taco	100,000	28.00	—	Jul	52.45	53.45
Occident	163,000	40.00	—	Aug	54.40	55.10
Sherrill	773,000	140.00	—	Jul	52.45	53.45
Gold Oil	100,000	102.00	—	Aug	54.40	55.10
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Euro-loan activities were characterised by a remarkable change in market attitudes during the year under review. The first half found the strong demand for Euro-loans being adequately met, while the second half brought with it a period of consolidation and a certain antipathy on the part of lenders to further extend their portfolios. Throughout the year WestLB adopted a fairly selective policy as far as both spreads and risks were concerned.

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